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**Response to Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This paper is in response to the Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office, dated April 1, 2002. In the Notification of Missing Requirements, the Office has indicated that the Applicant has not submitted the Oath and Declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497 and has requested that the Applicant furnish same in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371.

The Applicants have enclosed the required Oath and Declaration. As such, the Applicants respectfully submit that the requirements have been met and request acceptance of the above-identified application under 35 USC 371.

It is understood by the Applicants that this paper requires no fee; however, authorization is given to charge any necessary filing fees and any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 23-0455.

The Applicants submit that this application is now in condition for allowance, which allowance is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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### NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- U.S. Basic National Fees
- Priority Document
- Copy of IPE Report
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Request for Immediate Examination

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The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the international application number and international filing date.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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